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Dear Justices -

Previously, I have always been in Microsoft's corner of this debate as I have believed this suit was initially devised and supported by Sun Microsystems. However, after reading Scott Rosenberg's column in Salon.com about how well AMD and Intel have competed, I have changed my mind.

It is time to force Microsoft to release the API's of its operating system. While it will complain that the API's constitute its 'intellectual property', I have now come to the point where I believe that's bunk. If Microsoft wants to focus its efforts on the best operating system (Windows), then split the company with all the software applications being a new company and let Windows concentrate on systems. However, if you leave the applications and the operating systems together, then I have to agree that Microsoft has a monopoly and the marketplace will not be adequately served in the future by it remaining intact.

Just one person's opinion.

Respectfully, Bret Cullers

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